Global Gates Support Raising

Building Partnership Teams to Reach the Nations

Global Gates

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Chapter one

Welcome to the Mission

Your journey to building a strong support team begins here

We're so glad you're here.

This guide is designed to help you start strong and stay encouraged as you build your support team. Our goal is simple: equip you to gather a team of prayerful, generous partners so the gospel can reach the least-reached people in North America's gateway cities.

You're stepping into a story God is writing among the nations living next door. And we're honored to walk this journey with you.

Let's begin, together.

Who We Are

Global Gates is a Christian missions organization committed to the Great Commission. We focus on North America's global gateway cities, places where the nations gather and where the world's most unreached people groups live, work, and raise their families.

These communities carry the languages, cultures, and living ties of their homelands. Many have never heard the gospel clearly. We

serve among them with the good news of Jesus Christ.

Our missionaries live in neighborhoods across North America. We are a nonprofit, evangelical ministry, and we depend on the generosity of believers and like-minded churches. When God provides through His people, the mission advances from our cities to the ends of the earth.

What We Believe

We are gospel-centered and Bible-anchored. These convictions guide everything we do:

Scripture is God's Word and our final authority

Jesus Christ is Lord and the only Savior

The Church is God's chosen means to make disciples

The Great Commission belongs to every believer (Matthew 28:18–20; Acts 1:8)

Prayer fuels mission, and the Spirit empowers witness

Stewardship matters: faithfulness over flash, excellence as worship

These truths shape our motives, our message, and our methods.

Why Support Raising Matters

Support raising is not a hurdle to ministry. **It is ministry.**

It invites the Body of Christ into gospel partnership. It forms a team that prays, gives, encourages, and shares the joy of kingdom fruit.

Practically, support provides your salary, benefits, and ministry resources. It creates stability so you can focus on people, not pressure.

Spiritually, support raising disciples believers to invest in what God values most: people from every nation knowing Jesus. Your partners celebrate baptisms, church plants, and gospel breakthroughs because they helped make them possible.

Strong support teams keep missionaries healthy, accountable, and long-term on the field. This is how we reach the least-reached,

together.

Our Commitment to You

We are committed to your success. We will:

Train you with clear tools and a simple plan

Coach you with honest feedback and steady encouragement

Connect you with mentors, peers, and prayer support

Steward every gift with transparency and integrity

Walk with you through wins, setbacks, and next steps

You will not walk alone.

Your Calling & Next Steps

God has called you into a high and joyful work. Step forward with faith, humility, and courage.

Here's the path ahead:

Pray daily for God's leading and favor

Learn the plan, use the tools, trust the process

Share the vision with clarity and warmth

Build a team of prayer and financial partners

Follow up promptly and thank people well

Tell stories of gospel impact

Stay accountable and keep growing

As you raise support, you are raising worship. As you build your team, you are building a bridge for the gospel to reach the nations in our cities.

May the Lord Jesus go before you and open every door. May the Holy Spirit strengthen your hands and gladden your heart as you join Him in the Great Commission.

Chapter two

Faith First

Understanding the biblical foundation of support raising

"Not that I desire your gifts; what I desire is that more be credited to your account."

Philippians 4:17 (NIV)

Insight: Biblical support raising creates spiritual fruit in the giver, not just financial provision for the missionary.

Big Takeaway

Support raising is a God-designed, Scripture-rooted form of gospel partnership where God provides through His people as you boldly and faithfully invite them into His work.

The Principle

Support raising is discipleship, not desperation. You are not begging. You are inviting others into eternal impact.

God's pattern in Scripture is clear: He provides through people. Women funded Jesus. Churches supported Paul. Kings resourced Nehemiah.

People give to people, not projects. They respond to relationship, clarity, and vision.

A full support team is built on obedience and invitation, not pressure, fear, or manipulation.

Your mindset must shift:

From begging → inviting

From scarcity → abundance

From independence → dependence on God

These shifts open the door to boldness and joy in the process.

The Practice

1. Study God's Provision Patterns in Scripture

Luke 8:1–3 – Women financially supported Jesus' ministry

Philippians 1:3–5 – Paul called supporters his "partners in the gospel"

Nehemiah 2 – Nehemiah boldly asked for resources to rebuild the city

These passages show that God uses people to advance His mission.

2. Anchor your confidence in God's role, not yours

Your responsibility: faith, clarity, and invitation

God's responsibility: provision, timing, and transformation

This truth frees you from fear of rejection or inadequacy.

3. Build a faith mindset through daily renewal

Speak truth to yourself: *"God is my Provider; people are partners."*

Reject lies like "I'm bothering people" or "I shouldn't talk about money."

Replace them with truth: *"I'm giving others a chance to bear fruit."*

4. Recognize that activity produces provision

Most support-raising breakthroughs happen because missionaries:

Schedule more appointments

Have more conversations

Share their vision consistently

Follow up faithfully

The most supported missionaries are usually the ones who talk to the most people.

5. Develop faith practices to strengthen your heart

Daily Prayer: Ask God for boldness and open doors

Gratitude Rhythms: Thank God for every meeting, referral, and act of provision

Repentance & Renewal: Confess fear, pride, or shame; receive fresh courage

Journal God's provision: Keep track of "God stories" to fuel your faith

6. Use a "Promise Wall" to shape your belief system

Choose 10–15 Scriptures about:

Provision

Boldness

Calling

Partnership

Faithfulness

Write them visibly in your home or notebook. Every time fear rises, read them out loud.

Quick Example

When Lucy began her support raising journey, she felt terrified of asking. She viewed it as burdening others. But after soaking in Luke 8 and Philippians 4, she realized Jesus and Paul relied on partners too. She wrote out Scriptures on her wall and prayed over them daily. As she invited people into her ministry, they responded with excitement, not reluctance. Her mindset changed everything. In three months, she raised more support than she ever imagined.

Avoid These Mistakes

Treating support raising like a financial task instead of a spiritual partnership

Believing that people will be annoyed rather than grateful for an invitation

Waiting for confidence before acting, instead of acting your way into confidence

Do This Today

Write Philippians 4:19 and Philippians 1:5 on paper or your wall, and pray them over your support raising journey.

Reflection & Prayer

Reflection Question:

What fear, belief, or assumption about support raising do I need to surrender to God today?

Prayer:

Lord, reshape my view of support raising. Help me see it as Your design and Your provision. Fill me with courage, peace, and joy as I invite others into Your mission. Strengthen my faith and anchor my heart in Your promises. Amen.

Chapter three

Get Ready

Mentoring others and multiplying your impact

"Write down the revelation and make it plain on tablets so that a herald may run with it."

Habakkuk 2:2 (NIV)

Insight: Clarity is a gift. When you make your vision plain, both you and your supporters can run with confidence.

Big Takeaway

Support raising accelerates when you prepare well. Clear goals, organized contacts, and planned materials create confidence, momentum, and a sense of purpose before you ever ask for a meeting.

The Principle

Faith is not the opposite of planning. Faith includes preparation, focus, and stewardship.

God blesses clarity. When you define your needs and organize your plan, you remove confusion and give supporters something they can

understand and commit to.

Preparation prevents emotional overwhelm. Most stress in support raising comes not from conversations but from disorganization.

Momentum comes from systems. The most successful missionaries have clear budgets, a large list of contacts, and communication tools ready.

You build before you ask so that when you invite people into your ministry, you speak with peace, purpose, and confidence.

The Practice

1. Set a Clear Support Goal

Create two numbers:

Your Full Monthly Support Goal: Living, ministry, savings, tithe, emergencies, health insurance, transportation

Your Minimum Support Level: The lowest amount you can responsibly begin ministry with

Clear numbers remove vagueness and give donors confidence that you know what you need to thrive.

2. Build Your Budget in Detail

Break down your monthly support:

Living expenses: Housing, utilities, groceries, transportation

Ministry expenses: Meals with contacts, outreach events, travel

Tithe & generosity: Give from what God provides

Savings: Emergency fund + long-term financial health

Retirement (if applicable)

A specific budget shows good stewardship and strengthens your credibility.

3. Create a 12-Month Fundraising Timeline

Your timeline determines your pace. Plan:

Months 1–2: Preparation, name-storming, materials, early appointments

Months 3–6: Phase 1 (Personal network appointments)
Months 6–10: Phase 2 (Connectors, referrals, champions)
Months 10–12: Follow-ups, increases, church presentations
This timeline gives you a clear runway and peace of mind.

4. Name-Storm 250–500 Contacts

The #1 reason missionaries get stuck is too small of a list.
Your goal: 250 minimum, 500 ideal.
List everyone:
Family, friends, co-workers
Childhood friends, college classmates
Church members, pastors, small group friends
Social media contacts
Past teammates, coaches, mentors
Neighbors, extended family
Do NOT overthink or judge names. Volume gives options. Faith prays over the list and trusts God to guide you.

5. Categorize Warm & Cold Contacts

Warm = People who know you well
Cold = People connected indirectly
Warm contacts usually respond first. Cold contacts expand your network. Both are essential.

6. Organize Your Contacts in a CRM or Spreadsheet

Include fields such as:
Name
Relationship
Phone number / Email
Warm or cold
Status (Not contacted / Invited / Scheduled / Presented / Partnered / Follow-up)
Notes from conversations

Follow-up dates

Giving link sent (Yes/No)

Organization creates peace. Peace creates confidence. Confidence creates results.

7. Track Conversations & Follow-Ups

The majority of support decisions happen after follow-up.

Track every step:

When you invited

When they responded

When you met

What they said

When you'll follow up again

This system prevents people from slipping through the cracks.

8. Create Your Communication Materials

Preparation includes having clear, simple communication resources ready:

✓ **Short Bio** (150–200 words)

Your story, calling, and role.

✓ **Vision Video or Voice Note** (60–90 seconds)

People connect emotionally to your voice and passion.

✓ **Giving Link + QR Code**

Visible, easy, one-click giving.

✓ **Intro Letter or Digital Brochure**

Should include:

Your calling

The mission

The need

How they can partner

✓ **Vision Deck** (optional)

A clean, 8–12 slide presentation for Zoom calls or in-person

meetings.

These tools elevate your professionalism and inspire confidence.

9. Build Your "Fundraising Folder"

This folder is your command center. Include:

Budget

Timeline

250–500 contacts list

Scripts and communication templates

Bio and brochure

Mission video or voice note

Vision deck

Follow-up plan

Before inviting anyone, everything you need should be ready and organized.

Quick Example

Hannah felt stuck and overwhelmed until she created her fundraising folder. She name-stormed 400 contacts, categorized them, and set up a clear spreadsheet. She wrote a short bio, recorded a 90-second voice note, and mapped out a simple 6-month timeline. Once she began inviting people, everything felt smoother. Her clarity showed confidence. In twelve weeks, she reached 65% support because she prepared before inviting.

Avoid These Mistakes

Starting support raising without a clear budget or timeline

Only listing the "obvious" 30–50 contacts instead of building a full 250–500-person list

Disorganized tracking that leads to forgotten follow-ups and lost partners

Do This Today

Create your draft list of 250 names and build your first version of

your monthly budget.

Reflection & Prayer

Reflection Question:

What part of preparation do I need to focus on so I can begin my support-raising journey with clarity and confidence?

Prayer:

Lord, help me prepare with wisdom, diligence, and faith. Give me clarity as I build my plan and peace as I organize the people You've already placed in my life. Strengthen my confidence as I prepare to invite others into Your mission. Amen.

Chapter four

Take Action

Inviting partners through relationships and conversations

"You do not have because you do not ask God."

James 4:2 (NIV)

Insight: God provides through people, but provision begins with asking, clearly, confidently, and consistently.

Big Takeaway

Support grows when you take action, build relationships intentionally, and boldly invite people into God's mission through clear, consistent appointments.

The Principle

God has chosen to provide through people, and your role is to extend a clear, confident invitation.

Support raising is not fundraising. It is relationship building, storytelling, and gospel partnership.

The Global Gates Two-Phase Model increases both depth (personal network) and width (connectors & champions).

Clear appointments lead to clear decisions; vague invitations create vague results.

Consistency matters more than talent. A steady rhythm of meetings and follow-ups builds momentum that leads to full support.

The Practice

1. Master the Global Gates Two-Phase Model

Phase 1: Personal Network

This is your strongest base and normally your fastest results.

Includes:

Family

Close friends

Your church

Old teammates

Past coworkers

Mentors & discipling relationships

People who genuinely care about you

Why Phase 1 is essential:

High trust = high response

These people root for you

They become early partners and early connectors

Phase 2: Connectors & Champions

This is where exponential growth happens.

A connector is someone who:

Believes in your mission

May not have the capacity to give

But has the relationships to introduce you to others

Champions host:

Vision Zooms

Small group gatherings

Introductions to friends, small groups, pastors, and donors

Phase 2 allows you to expand beyond your personal relationships and reach supporters you would have never met on your own.

2. Follow the Appointment Process

Every missionary should internalize this simple flow:

Invite → Meet → Ask → Follow-Up

Nothing more complicated is needed. This process works everywhere and for every type of person.

Invite

Use a short, simple script:

"Hey! I'd love to share what God is calling me to do with Global Gates. Can we meet for 25–30 minutes this week or next?"

The goal is a meeting, not giving over text.

Meet

Meet in-person or via Zoom.

Share your:

Calling

Ministry vision

Unreached people group focus

Strategy

What God is already doing

How they can be part of it

Keep it personal. Keep it relational. Keep it simple.

Ask

Make the invitation clear and direct:

"I'd love to invite you to join my monthly support team. Would you prayerfully consider partnering at $100 a month?"

Then stop talking. Silence communicates confidence and trust in God.

Follow-Up

Most giving decisions happen here.

Follow-up is part of ministry, not pressure:

"Thank you again for meeting with me! Let me know once you've had time to pray about joining the team."

3. Use Simple, Proven Scripts

WhatsApp or Text (to set the appointment):

"Hey! Can we connect for 20–30 minutes this week? I'd love to share my ministry update and invite you into what God is doing."

Phone Call Ask:

"Thanks for listening to my story. Would you pray about being part of my monthly support team at $__ a month?"

In-Person Ask:

"Would you join my team? Your partnership would mean so much to me and the people we're reaching."

All invitations must be:

Clear

Short

Specific

4. Practice Your Conversations

Confidence grows through repetition.

Practice with:

A teammate

Your coach

Another missionary

A trusted friend

Role-play:

Sharing your calling

Explaining your budget

Making the ask

Responding to hesitation

This reduces anxiety and increases clarity.

5. Respond Gracefully to Hesitation or "No"

Most hesitation is not rejection. It is processing.

Use gracious responses:

"No problem at all. Thank you for listening."

"Take your time to pray about it. I'm grateful for you."

"If monthly giving doesn't work now, would you consider a one-time gift?"

A "no" often becomes a "yes" later because you handled it with honor.

6. Use Connector-Hosted Meetings & Vision Zooms

These multiply your reach faster than anything else.

Here's how they work:

A connector invites 3–10 friends

You share your story and vision

They ask questions

You invite them to join your team

You follow up personally afterward

One strong Vision Zoom can produce:

Monthly partners

One-time donors

New connectors

Invitations to more groups

7. Commit to the 5–8 Meeting Rhythm

Missionaries who consistently hit 5–8 meetings per week almost always reach full support quickly.

This rhythm:

Builds confidence

Creates momentum

Expands your relationships

Increases referrals

Appointments → Momentum → Provision

8. Track Everything in Your CRM

A simple CRM or spreadsheet becomes your lifeline.

Track:

People invited

Meetings scheduled

Meetings completed

Whether you made the ask

Their response

Next follow-up date

Whether they started giving

Who referred them

Most missionaries lose partners not because people said "no" but because follow-ups never happened.

Quick Example

Mark started with his personal network and scheduled six appointments his first week. After meeting with his first few partners, he asked each one for names of people who would love the mission. One friend hosted a small group Vision Zoom and introduced him to ten new contacts. Within three weeks, he gained five new monthly partners. His momentum didn't come from talent. It came from activity, clarity, and follow-up.

Avoid These Mistakes

Avoiding the clear, direct ask and hoping people will "just offer"

Relying only on Phase 1 and never activating connectors or Vision Zooms

Skipping follow-up and losing potential partners

Do This Today

Schedule five meetings for this week and log each person in your CRM with a follow-up plan.

Reflection & Prayer

Reflection Question:

Where do I need more courage (in inviting, meeting, asking, or following up) and what step will I take today?

Prayer:

Lord, strengthen my courage as I invite others into Your mission. Give me clarity in conversations, boldness in asking, and faithfulness in following up. Open doors through the people You have already prepared. Amen.

Chapter five

Stay Connected

Keeping your support team engaged for the long term

"Give thanks in all circumstances; for this is God's will for you in Christ Jesus."

1 Thessalonians 5:18 (NIV)

Insight: Gratitude is the heartbeat of long-term partnership. Thankful missionaries build strong, enduring support teams.

Big Takeaway

Partnership thrives when missionaries consistently communicate, express gratitude, and steward relationships with care, clarity, and honor.

The Principle

Gratitude is the currency of partnership. The more thankful you are, the stronger your team becomes.

Donors stay connected when they feel valued, informed, and involved, not just when they receive receipts.

Most donors don't stop giving because of lack of money. They stop

because they feel disconnected.

Stewardship is ministry. Caring for supporters is as important as caring for the people you serve.

A simple communication system creates deep trust, long-term stability, and a joyful partnership experience.

The Practice

1. Understand Why Communication Keeps Supporters Connected

People give for two main reasons:

They believe in the mission

They believe in YOU

Ongoing communication feeds both:

✓ They see fruit from their giving

✓ They feel spiritually connected

✓ They know their generosity matters

✓ They stay emotionally invested in the mission

Silence weakens partnership. Communication strengthens it.

2. Use the Donor Care Ladder

This simple pathway ensures every partner feels honored and connected:

Welcome

Send a personal "welcome to the team" message within 24 hours. A quick voice note works wonders.

Thank

Express gratitude often. Make it personal, not generic.

Update

Share stories, prayers, pictures, and progress regularly.

Ask Again

Include year-end giving, special projects, retreats, and increases.

Celebrate

Share victories your supporters helped make possible. Celebrate anniversaries, milestones, baptisms, and breakthroughs.

This ladder turns donors into lifelong partners.

3. Build Gratitude Systems That Actually Work

Gratitude should be scheduled, not spontaneous.

Use simple habits:

Thank-you messages (same day someone gives)

Handwritten notes (once or twice a year)

WhatsApp voice updates (30–60 seconds)

Short videos ("Here's what God did this month!")

Partnership anniversaries ("Thank you for 1 year of giving!")

Most missionaries think they're communicating more than they actually are. Systems keep you consistent.

4. Share Stories Safely & Sensitively

Many missionaries serve among the least-reached. Communicating wisely protects you and the people you love.

Use:

Coded language ("my friends," "the community," "a local family")

General locations ("South Asia community in Texas")

Emotionally rich but detail-light stories

Photos without identifiable faces

Stories focused on God's activity rather than specifics

Your supporters don't need names to celebrate transformation.

5. Create a Monthly or Quarterly Update Plan

Your updates can be simple and short. Follow a "3 + 1" model:

3 Key Elements:

One Story: Something God did

One Praise Report: Something you're celebrating

One Prayer Request: Something supporters can join you in

+1:

Include your giving link or QR code every time (not as pressure, but as clarity).

Decide on your rhythm:

Monthly (recommended for most missionaries)

Every 6–8 weeks

Quarterly at minimum

6. Segment Your Supporters for Better Care

Not all supporters need the same communication. Organize them into groups:

Prayer Partners

Send spiritual updates, prayer needs, and breakthroughs.

Financial Donors

Send impact stories, receipts (your org may do this), and gratitude notes.

Connectors & Champions

Send opportunities to host Vision Zooms, connect you to new friends, or introduce you to churches.

Church Engagement

Provide:

Quarterly ministry overviews

Annual vision updates

Preaching/teaching availability

Mission Sunday resources

Segmenting makes communication targeted and meaningful.

7. Build Relationships With Pastors & Churches

Churches are long-term anchors. Build trust intentionally:

Keep pastors updated

Send short quarterly ministry videos

Offer to serve during Mission Sundays

Share statistics like baptisms, discipleship progress, and community

transformation

Thank the missions team often

Churches give generously when they feel valued and informed.

8. Avoid Common Mistakes (and Simple Fixes)

Mistake #1: Only communicating when you need money

Fix: Update monthly even when you don't need anything

Mistake #2: Sending long, overwhelming newsletters

Fix: Use short stories, short paragraphs, and simple graphics

Mistake #3: Forgetting to say thank you

Fix: Set reminders in your CRM

Mistake #4: Over-sharing unsafe details

Fix: Use coded, sensitive, mission-appropriate language

Mistake #5: Assuming donors know what's happening

Fix: Tell them clearly, often, and warmly

Quick Example

When Esther started her ministry, she struggled to keep donors engaged. After creating a simple monthly update plan with one picture and a 45-second video each month, everything changed. Donors replied with encouragement. Some increased their giving. Several became prayer partners. Her supporters told her, "We feel like we're there with you." Consistent communication turned financial supporters into true ministry partners.

Avoid These Mistakes

Sending irregular or sporadic updates

Keeping communication generic instead of personal

Treating donor care as optional instead of mission-critical

Do This Today

Send one ministry update and one personal thank-you message to a supporter.

Reflection & Prayer

Reflection Question:

What simple communication habit can I start this week to strengthen my partnership team?

Prayer:

Lord, thank You for every supporter You've brought into my life. Help me express gratitude faithfully, communicate with clarity, and honor each partner with love and stewardship. Make my updates life-giving and encouraging. Amen.

Chapter six

Pass It On

Mentoring others and multiplying your impact

"And the things you have heard me say... entrust to reliable people who will also be qualified to teach others."

2 Timothy 2:2 (NIV)

Insight: True ministry impact multiplies when you invest in others who can pass it on.

Big Takeaway

Your support-raising journey is not just for you. Once God equips you, He calls you to train, mentor, and multiply others, passing along what you have learned.

The Principle

Multiplication is the biblical pattern: disciples make disciples, and supported missionaries raise up other supported missionaries.

Healthy support raisers become healthy mentors. Your experience becomes someone else's breakthrough.

Coaching is not about expertise. It's about encouragement, clarity,

and consistency.

Missionaries thrive when they build rhythms of review, renewal, and stewardship.

Multiplication requires emotional health, financial health, and spiritual health.

The Practice

1. Understand What Multiplication Means in Missions

Multiplication is not merely increasing numbers. It is:

Investing in people

Sharing wisdom

Modeling faithfulness

Passing along systems

Releasing others to flourish

Every missionary becomes a "spiritual parent" to younger workers. Your fruit multiplies when you help someone else get fully funded.

2. Grow Through the Leadership Ladder

Every missionary should progress through four stages:

Stage 1: Fundraiser

You learn support raising and build your team.

Stage 2: Mentor

You guide someone who is a few steps behind you.

Stage 3: Trainer

You teach small groups, interns, or new staff the core principles of support raising.

Stage 4: Coach

You help others multiply, not just get funded, but train others too.

The more you climb, the more your impact multiplies.

3. Mentor a New Missionary Using a Simple, Proven Process

Use the four-step development path:

Model

Let them see how you invite, ask, follow up, and communicate.

Watch

Observe them practice their script, appointment ask, or vision pitch. Give gentle, clear feedback.

Coach

Ask questions:

"Where did you feel confident?"

"Where did you feel stuck?"

"What's your next step?"

Encourage boldness, consistency, and clarity.

Release

Let them schedule appointments, make asks, and follow up independently. Cheer them on. Celebrate their wins. Help them overcome obstacles.

This is discipleship, not just training.

4. Review Your Support Annually for Long-Term Strength

Every year, schedule a personal "Support Review Month."

Evaluate:

Monthly partner retention

Which donors dropped (and why)

Which partners need a personalized update

Who might be ready to increase

Where new connectors might be found

What communication improvements you need to make

Whether your story, materials, or video need refreshing

A yearly "refresh" is the secret to long-term stability.

5. Refresh Vision & Connector Lists

Your mission changes. Your network grows. Your connection list must grow too.

Do this annually:

Add new friends, coworkers, church members
Ask existing partners for referrals
Revisit Phase 2 connectors
Update your CRM with new relationships
Pray for fresh opportunities
A growing missionary always has a growing list.

6. Track Retention & Growth Thoughtfully

Healthy missionaries track two numbers:

Retention: How many partners stayed?

Growth: How many partners increased or joined?

Why this matters:
Decline often points to communication issues
Growth often points to clarity and consistency
Patterns reveal strengths and weak spots
This is stewardship, not pressure.

7. Give Back: Become a Partner to Someone Else

Even small gifts matter. Giving $10–$25 a month teaches you:
Empathy
Generosity
Sacrifice
Partnership joy
Encouragement
Supporting another missionary is a powerful spiritual discipline.

8. Maintain Financial Health for Longevity

Your spiritual, emotional, and ministry health are tied to financial stewardship.

Build these rhythms:

Sabbaths

A rested missionary communicates better, leads better, and gives generously.

Savings

Set aside part of your income monthly. A small emergency fund reduces stress.

Stewardship Habits

Live simply. Stay accountable. Practice generosity. Let your finances reflect your calling.

Healthy missionaries last longer and multiply more.

9. Create Your "Pass-It-On Plan"

Write this out in your journal:

Who do I feel called to mentor this year?

Who has potential but needs confidence?

Who needs accountability or encouragement?

Who has gifting but lacks clarity?

Choose one person to invest in deeply. Choose one person to coach casually. Choose one person to encourage consistently.

Multiplication is intentional.

10. Celebrate & Commission Others

Multiplication requires celebration:

Celebrate a new missionary reaching 50%

Celebrate 100% funding

Celebrate someone who hosted a Vision Zoom

Celebrate increases

Celebrate steps of faith

Stories of breakthrough inspire others to keep going. Commission others with joy and prayer, just as someone did for you.

Quick Example

Elijah reached full support after eight months. Instead of stepping back, he immediately began mentoring a younger worker named Ramon. They met weekly. Elijah modeled texts, role-played appointments, and helped Ramon build a 400-person contact list.

Ramon reached full support in five months. Now Ramon is mentoring another worker. Elijah's obedience created a chain of multiplication that will outlive his own ministry.

Avoid These Mistakes

Doing ministry alone instead of training others

Neglecting yearly support reviews and losing partners over time

Allowing emotional or financial burnout to weaken your ability to lead

Do This Today

Write down the name of one missionary, intern, or teammate you can mentor in support raising.

Reflection & Prayer

Reflection Question:

Who has God placed in my life that I can invest in, encourage, and help multiply?

Prayer:

Lord, thank You for those who trained and encouraged me. Help me be faithful to pass on what I have learned. Give me eyes to see who I should mentor and courage to invest deeply. Multiply this work for Your glory among the nations. Amen.

Chapter seven

Step Forward

Moving into ministry with faith and confidence

"Let us hold unswervingly to the hope we profess, for he who promised is faithful."

Hebrews 10:23 (NIV)

Insight: The One who called you is faithful to finish the work He began in you.

Big Takeaway

Support raising is not just preparation for ministry. It IS ministry. As you invite others into God's mission, He forms your character, strengthens your faith, and multiplies your impact.

You Are Not Doing This Alone

You were not called to ministry because you are naturally bold, confident, or persuasive. You were called because God's Spirit lives in you, and He delights in working through ordinary people who trust Him in extraordinary ways.

Support raising is one of the clearest ways God teaches you to:

Depend on Him
Pray with expectancy
Invite boldly
Communicate clearly
Persevere with joy
Celebrate what only God can do
This journey is not about money. It's about partnership, faith, and God's provision.
You may feel fear at times. You may experience discouragement. But you will also experience miracles: open doors, generous hearts, divine connections, and provision that only God could orchestrate.

The Journey Ahead

As you move forward:
Build your plan
Schedule your meetings
Make the ask
Follow up faithfully
Thank generously
Mentor someone else
Keep your eyes on the nations
This book has given you the tools, systems, and steps. Now God invites you to put them into action.
You don't need to be perfect. You just need to be faithful.

What God Does in You Is as Important as What He Does Through You

Support raising shapes you. It strengthens:
Your prayer life
Your courage
Your obedience
Your humility

Your perseverance
Your vision
Your joy
You will grow in ways you never imagined. You will see God's hand in places you once feared stepping into. You will learn that God is never late, never stingy, never absent. He is always working.

Your Calling Is Bigger Than Your Fear

Every life you touch... Every gospel conversation you have... Every disciple you invest in... Every family or student or unreached people group you serve...
...is directly connected to your willingness to step out in faith today.
Support raising is not a barrier to ministry. It is the doorway into it. Walk through it boldly.

Finish With Faith: Keep Going

You have a clear plan. You have practical steps. You have tools and templates. You have a support pathway. You have a network God has already prepared.
Most importantly, you have a faithful God who already knows every partner He will bring to your team.
Your job? Show up. Invite. Ask. Follow up. And trust Him with the results.

Do This Today

Take one step of obedience, however small. Send one text. Schedule one meeting. Share one story. Ask one person to pray. God multiplies movement.

Reflection & Prayer

Reflection Question:

What step of faith is God asking me to take today as I begin or continue my support-raising journey?

Prayer:

Lord, thank You for calling me into Your mission. Strengthen my faith, steady my heart, and guide my steps. Prepare every conversation, every meeting, and every partner. Provide abundantly as I trust You fully. Make my ministry fruitful and my life a testimony of Your faithfulness. Amen.